



## Wichita Bicycle & Pedestrian Advisory Board

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The Wichita Bicycle and Pedestrian Board shall advise the Mayor; City Council; City Manager; all departments; all offices of the City; City Boards and committees; and other public agencies that provide services within the City, on matters related to bicycling and/or walking and the impact that their actions may have on the bicycling and/or walking environment.  
City of Wichita  
Ordinance 490441

April 12, 2019

Mayor Longwell, Wichita City Council members and City Manager

Subject: Wichita Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Board Recommendations regarding e-scooters

At the March 25, 2019 Wichita Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Board meeting the board heard a presentation from Mike Tann, Transit director regarding the emerging topic of electronic scooters (e-scooters) in Wichita. The presentation consisted of draft city ordinance amendments, draft pilot operating agreement, and a document developed by Toole Design, which consisted of a review of what other cities are doing to accommodate the deployment of e-scooters in their communities. At the conclusion of the presentation the board moved to recommend to the City Council to approve a scooter pilot program and changes to the municipal code recognizing that changes will likely be made to the proposed pilot operating agreement and code before it is presented to the City Council in final form.

At the April 8, 2019 meeting, the board revisited the topic of e-scooters in order to make more specific recommendations to the City Council. As a result of that discussion, the WBPAB is making the following general recommendations for your consideration regarding the use of e-scooters in Wichita:

- Recommend the use of a pilot operating agreement
- Recommend a 15 mph speed limit for e-scooters operating on city streets and multiuse paths
- That e-scooters operating hours be from dawn to dusk.
- E-scooter riders are to use an audible signal when passing a pedestrian or cyclist on a street or multi-use pathway.
- Use of E-scooters should be permitted only on designated bicycle and multiuse paths, city streets and prohibited from use on sidewalks and areas designated by the City Park and Recreation Department.

These recommendations are made based on a review of the draft Electric Scooter Amendments to City Code Chapter 09.03.010 dated 02/20/2019 and the Pilot Operating Agreement Draft 02/20/2019. The board looks forward to commenting further regarding future e-scooter city ordinance changes and pilot operating agreements as they evolve.

For the board,

Jack Brown, Chair WBPAB

Cc: WBPAB members, Scott Wadle